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In re Application of:  
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Application No. 09/865,995  
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Attorney Docket No. 5614.06

**OFFICE OF PETITIONS**

**DECISION GRANTING  
PETITION**

This is a decision on the October 3, 2001 petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.10(c) requesting that the above-identified application be accorded a filing date of May 25, 2001, rather than the presently accorded filing date of May 21, 2001.

Petitioner alleges that the application was deposited in Express Mail service on May 25, 2001. In support, the petition is accompanied by a copy of Express Mail receipt no. EL779732834US (the same Express Mail number found on the original application papers located in the official file) showing a "date in" of May 25, 2001.

In view of the above, *this petition is **granted**.*

This application will be returned to Initial Patent Examination Division for correction of the filing date to May 25, 2001.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned in the Office of Petitions at (703) 306-5593.

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